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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS : SAKASHITA  
SERIAL NO. : 09/904,347  
FILED : 12 July 2001  
FOR : FORGERY-PREVENTIVE IDENTIFICATION MEDIUM AND METHOD  
FOR ASCERTAINING THE GENUINENESS THEREOF  
ART UNIT : 1773  
EXAMINER : Stevan A. Resan

**29 December 2003**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to consideration of the application on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.

## CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

If entry and consideration of the amendments above requires an extension of time, Applicants respectfully request that this be considered a petition therefor. The Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee(s) due in this connection to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

## ADDITIONAL FEE

Please charge any insufficiency of fees, or credit any excess, to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.